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BY HAND

Honorable Vernon A. Williams
Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, NW
Washington, DC 20423

Re: Docket No. AB-883 (Sub-No. 1X), Rocky Mount and Western Railroad Co., Inc.
- Abandonment - In Nash County, North Carolina

Dear Secretary Williams:

On February 17, 2005, Rocky Mount and Western Railroad Co., Inc. filed a Verified Notice of Exemption pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 1152.50 in the above-referenced proceeding. On March 2, 2005, we received a copy of a letter from Ms. Chrys Baggett on behalf of the North Carolina Department of Administration. Although it appears that Ms. Baggett sent the original letter directly to the Surface Transportation Board (the "Board"), we are forwarding the letter to the Board in the event the Board did not receive it. Enclosed for filing in this proceeding are 11 copies of the letter.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter by date-stamping the enclosed acknowledgment copy and returning it to our messenger.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Rose-Michele Weinryb'.

Rose-Michele Weinryb

Enclosures



North Carolina
Department of Administration

Michael F. Easley, Governor

Gwynn T. Swinson, Secretary

February 25, 2005

The Section of Environmental Analysis
Rocky Mount & Western RR Co.
c/o Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street NW
Washington, DC 20423-0001



Dear The Environmental Analysis:

Re: SCH File # 05-E-0000-0217; SCOPING; Possible abandonment of approx. 4.7 mile of rail line in Nash Co from milepost 134.8 near Mommyer to milepost 139.5 near Spring Hope. Docket No. AB-883

The above referenced environmental impact information has been submitted to the State Clearinghouse under the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act. According to G.S. 113A-10, when a state agency is required to prepare an environmental document under the provisions of federal law, the environmental document meets the provisions of the State Environmental Policy Act.

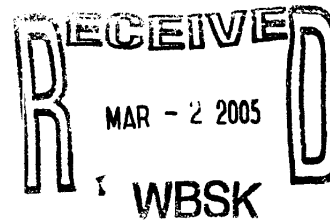
No comments were made by any state/local agencies during the course of this review. If any further environmental review documents are prepared for this project, they should be forwarded to this office for intergovernmental review.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

Ms. Chrys Baggett
Environmental Policy Act Coordinator

cc: Region L
Rose-Michele Weinryb, Esq.



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INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVIEW

STATE NUMBER: 05-E-0000-0217

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DATE RECEIVED: 01/25/2005

AGENCY RESPONSE: 02/21/2005

REVIEW CLOSED: 02/25/2005

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PROJECT INFORMATION

APPLICANT: Rocky Mount & Western RR Co.

TYPE: National Environmental Policy Act

ERD: Scoping

DESC: Soliciting Comments on possible abandonment of approx. 4.7 mile of railline in Nash Co from milepost 134.8 near Mommyer to milepost 139.5 near Spring Hope.

The attached project has been submitted to the N. C. State Clearinghouse for intergovernmental review. Please review and submit your response by the above indicated date to 1301 Mail Service Center, Raleigh NC 27699-1301.

If additional review time is needed, please contact this office at (919)807-2425.

AS A RESULT OF THIS REVIEW THE FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED:

☒ NO COMMENT

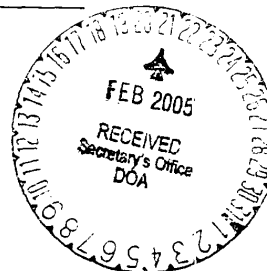
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SIGNED BY:

DATE:

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